To: Woolford, James[Woolford.James@epa.gov]; Stalcup, Dana[Stalcup.Dana@epa.gov]

From: Murray, Bill

Sent: Tue 10/27/2015 8:13:26 PM

Subject: FW: AP (DDL 2pm Eastern today): Upper Animas remediation proposal

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From: Mylott, Richard

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 2:13 PM **To:** Jenkins, Laura Flynn; Ostrander, David

Cc: StClair, Christie; R8 GKM Leadership Team; Deitz, Randy; Cohen, Nancy; Bassler, Rachel;

Grantham, Nancy

Subject: RE: AP (DDL 2pm Eastern today): Upper Animas remediation proposal

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From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:54 PM

To: Ostrander, David

Cc: StClair, Christie; R8 GKM Leadership Team; Deitz, Randy; Cohen, Nancy; Bassler, Rachel;

Grantham, Nancy; Mylott, Richard

Subject: RE: AP (DDL 2pm Eastern today): Upper Animas remediation proposal

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From: Ostrander, David

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:36 PM

To: Jenkins, Laura Flynn

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Grantham, Nancy

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On Oct 27, 2015, at 2:26 PM, Jenkins, Laura Flynn < <u>Jenkins.Laura@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

Including reference to tribes is fine. It's an accurate statement and we just forgot to mention it in our draft.

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From: StClair, Christie

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To: R8 GKM Leadership Team

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R8 – any concerns about adding "tribes" into the first question, per Randy Deitz's edit?
1. Has the EPA seen and reviewed the proposal?
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From: Wells, Suzanne

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 3:14 PM

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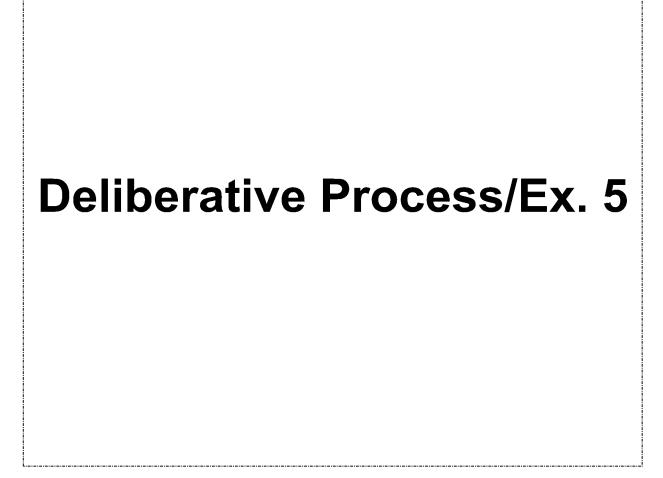
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Christie,
Here are the changes Jim wanted to Q5. Randy Deitz added tribes to the Answers $1-4$. You may want to check with R8 on the addition of tribes to this answer.
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Do you want to send or want me to?

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Christie,

Jim Woolford is talking with Bill Murray right now about these questions, so please hold off on sending them.

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Christie,

We haven't been able to get approvals here in OSRTI (there's a division director's call going on right now). If you need to go forward now, please see comments I have below. I'll keep trying to get approval here.

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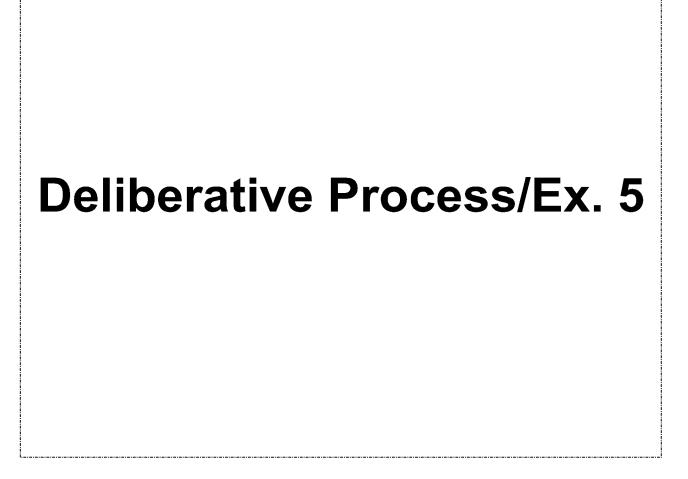
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I had a few wording changes to this response. Do others have comments?
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1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20460 <image001.png> From: StClair, Christie Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:58 PM To: Deitz, Randy < Deitz.Randy@epa.gov >; Cohen, Nancy < Cohen.Nancy@epa.gov >; Bassler, Rachel < Bassler. Rachel @epa.gov> Cc: Stalcup, Dana < Stalcup. Dana@epa.gov>; Dreyfus, Melissa G. <<u>Dreyfus.Melissa@epa.gov</u>>; Wells, Suzanne <<u>Wells.Suzanne@epa.gov</u>>; Grantham, Nancy < Grantham. Nancy@epa.gov> Subject: FW: AP (DDL 2pm Eastern today): Upper Animas remediation proposal OSWER – please review and approve as soon as possible, reporter is on deadline. Thanks, Christie Christie St. Clair Office of Public Affairs **Environmental Protection Agency** Washington, DC o: 202-564-2880

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From: Mylott, Richard

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 1:46 PM

To: StClair, Christie < StClair.Christie@epa.gov >; Murray, Bill < Murray.Bill@epa.gov >; Loop, Travis < Loop.Travis@epa.gov >; Stalcup, Dana < Stalcup.Dana@epa.gov >; Smith, Paula < Smith.Paula@epa.gov >

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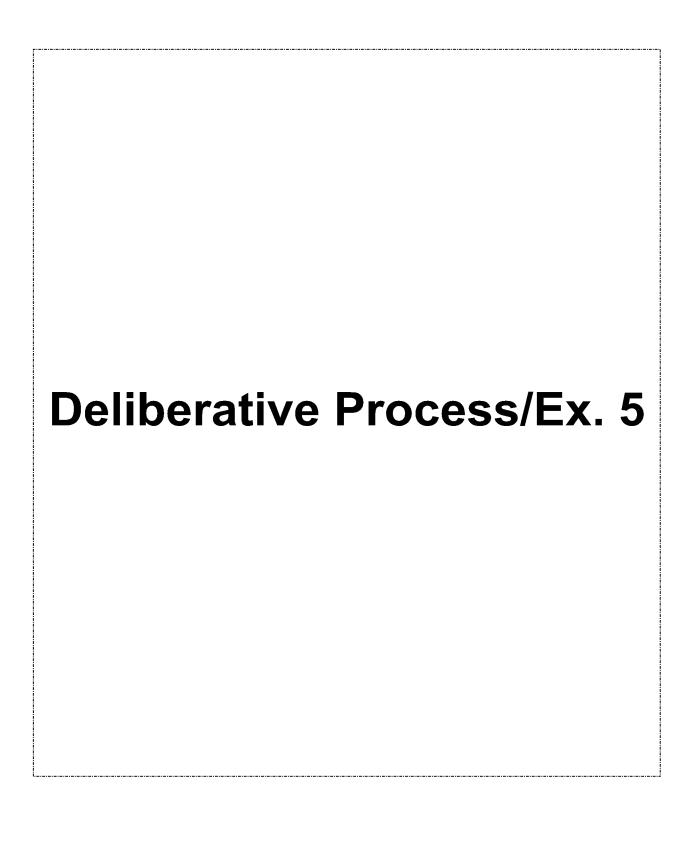
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All- below are draft answers to AP-Dan Elliott questions from R8.

Rich 303-312-6654

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From: StClair, Christie

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 10:06 AM

To: Murray, Bill; Loop, Travis; Stalcup, Dana; Mylott, Richard; Smith, Paula

Cc: R8 GKM Leadership Team; Wells, Suzanne; Dreyfus, Melissa G.; Deitz, Randy; Cohen, Nancy; Bassler, Rachel; Grantham, Nancy; Bressler, Lindsey Subject: RE: AP (DDL 2pm Eastern today): Upper Animas remediation proposal

Thanks, Bill.

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From: Murray, Bill

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All,

Shaun McGrath asked me to work with Rich Mylott in the R8 press office to draft responses to these questions which we will share with you all for your input.

Bill Murray, Program Director

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From: Loop, Travis

Sent: Tuesday, October 27, 2015 9:30 AM

To: StClair, Christie; Stalcup, Dana

Cc: R8 GKM Leadership Team; Wells, Suzanne; Dreyfus, Melissa G.; Deitz, Randy;

Cohen, Nancy; Bassler, Rachel; Grantham, Nancy; Bressler, Lindsey

Subject: RE: AP (DDL 2pm Eastern today): Upper Animas remediation proposal

Checking within OW...

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Looping Travis.

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Seems like we need R8, OW, and maybe OEM to weigh in. I see R8 GKM team on this. I am not aware of OSRTI seeing this proposal. - Dana

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 27, 2015, at 11:22 AM, StClair, Christie < StClair. Christie@epa.gov > wrote:

All: Dan Elliott from the AP is asking about a remediation proposal for the Upper Animas River Basin endorsed by the Silverton Town Council and the San Juan County commissioners. It is called "Upper Animas River Basin Acid Mine Water Remediation Post Gold King Mine Breach: Project Proposal."

His questions:

- 1. Has the EPA seen and reviewed the proposal?
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- 3. Does the proposal have merit?
- 4. Does it have significant drawbacks?
- 5. Could the proposal be eligible for funding through the Superfund program?
- 6. Could it be eligible for other types of funding through the EPA?

Thanks,
Christie
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Deadline to get him our final response is 2pm Eastern today.